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EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT  
NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL  
WASHINGTON

March 21, 1957

## MEMORANDUM FOR THE NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

SUBJECT: Distribution of NSC Papers Outside the  
United States

REFERENCES: A. Memo for NSC Planning Board from Executive  
Secretary, NSC, subject: "Distribution  
of NSC Papers", dated March 5, 1954  
B. NSC Action No. 1635

The National Security Council and the Director, Bureau of the  
Budget, at the 316th Council meeting on March 14, 1957 (NSC  
Action No. 1685):

Noted that the President affirmed the policy on the  
subject contained in paragraph 4 of the reference  
memorandum; but directed that increased efforts should  
be made to prevent the unauthorized disclosure of  
classified information contained in NSC papers.

For convenience of reference, paragraph 4 of the memorandum  
of March 5, 1954, is reproduced below:

"4. Agencies concerned will, whenever possible,  
avoid sending NSC papers\* outside the United States but  
shall instead send appropriate extracts to offices with  
a need-to-know. Such extracts should be identified as  
national policy approved on a certain date, without  
reference to the National Security Council. Notification  
to the NSC Registry is not required where extracts only  
are transmitted. However, when it is necessary in the  
opinion of the Chief of the agency that NSC papers be  
transmitted outside the United States on a need-to-know  
basis, the NSC Registry shall be notified prior to any  
such distribution."

\* 14 Feb 58 - Mr. Lay says NSC papers  
are not excepted from the  
provisions of this memo.

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Accordingly, the above action, as approved by the President on March 17, 1957, is transmitted herewith to all departments and agencies participating in NSC activity, for appropriate action.

When, in the opinion of the Chief of the agency, it is necessary that NSC papers be transmitted outside the United States on a need-to-know basis, it is requested that the required notification prior to any such distribution be in writing to the Executive Secretary, NSC, and specify the destination of each such copy to be transmitted outside the United States.

JAMES S. LAY, JR.  
Executive Secretary

cc: The Secretary of the Treasury  
The Attorney General  
The Secretary of Commerce  
The Special Assistant to the  
President for Disarmament  
The Chairman, Atomic Energy Commission  
The Federal Civil Defense Administrator  
The Director, Bureau of the Budget  
The Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff  
The Director of Central Intelligence  
The Director, U. S. Information Agency  
The Director, International Cooperation  
Administration  
The Chairman, Council of Economic Advisers  
The Chairman, Council on Foreign Economic Policy

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